

United States Bankruptcy Court
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

Voluntary Petition

Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): DOW, PATRICK STEVEN	Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse)(Last, First, Middle): DOW, NICOL MARIE
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names): NONE	All Other Names used by the Joint Debtor in the last 8 years (include married, maiden, and trade names): aka Nicol Marie Clarenbach
Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN (if more than one, state all): 0540	Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) No./Complete EIN (if more than one, state all): 7999
Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, and State): 4 Southview Dr. Oroville CA	Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, and State): 4 Southview Dr. Oroville CA
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business: Butte	County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Business: Butte
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street address): SAME	Mailing Address of Joint Debtor (if different from street address): SAME
Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if different from street address above): NOT APPLICABLE	

Type of Debtor (Form of organization) (Check one box.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual (includes Joint Debtors) <i>See Exhibit D on page 2 of this form.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Corporation (includes LLC and LLP) <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Other (if debtor is not one of the above entities, check this box and state type of entity below <hr/>	Nature of Business (Check one box.) <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Business <input type="checkbox"/> Single Asset Real Estate as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101 (51B) <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad <input type="checkbox"/> Stockbroker <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity Broker <input type="checkbox"/> Clearing Bank <input type="checkbox"/> Other Tax-Exempt Entity (Check box, if applicable.) <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a tax-exempt organization under Title 26 of the United States Code (the Internal Revenue Code).	Chapter of Bankruptcy Code Under Which the Petition is Filed (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chapter 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 11 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 12 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 13 <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Main Proceeding <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 15 Petition for Recognition of a Foreign Nonmain Proceeding Nature of Debts (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debts are primarily consumer debts, defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose" <input type="checkbox"/> Debts are primarily business debts. Chapter 11 Debtors: Check one box: <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a small business as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is not a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). Check if: <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor's aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$2,190,000. Check all applicable boxes: <input type="checkbox"/> A plan is being filed with this petition <input type="checkbox"/> Acceptances of the plan were solicited prepetition from one or more classes of creditors, in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1126(b).
Filing Fee (Check one box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Filing Fee attached <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee to be paid in installments (applicable to individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration certifying that the debtor is unable to pay fee except in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Form 3A. <input type="checkbox"/> Filing Fee waiver requested (applicable to chapter 7 individuals only). Must attach signed application for the court's consideration. See Official Form 3B.		

Statistical/Administrative Information <input type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors. Estimated Number of Creditors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-49 <input type="checkbox"/> 50-99 <input type="checkbox"/> 100-199 <input type="checkbox"/> 200-999 <input type="checkbox"/> 1,000-5,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 5,001-10,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 10,001-25,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 25,001-50,000 <input type="checkbox"/> 50,001-100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Over 100,000 Estimated Assets <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$0 to \$50,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 to \$100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,001 to \$500,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001 to \$1 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 to \$10 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001 to \$50 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001 to \$100 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000,001 to \$500 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001 to \$1 billion <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$1 billion Estimated Liabilities <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 to \$50,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 to \$100,000 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$100,001 to \$500,000 <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,001 to \$1 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000,001 to \$10 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$10,000,001 to \$50 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,000,001 to \$100 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000,001 to \$500 million <input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000,001 to \$1 billion <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$1 billion	THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY <div style="text-align: center;"> 2009-36559 FILED August 05, 2009 5:33 PM RELIEF ORDERED CLERK, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA </div>
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Voluntary Petition <i>(This page must be completed and filed in every case)</i>		Name of Debtor(s): PATRICK STEVEN DOW and NICOL MARIE DOW	
All Prior Bankruptcy Cases Filed Within Last 8 Years (If more than two, attach additional sheet)			
Location Where Filed:	Case Number:	Date Filed:	
NONE			
Location Where Filed:	Case Number:	Date Filed:	
Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner or Affiliate of this Debtor (If more than one, attach additional sheet)			
Name of Debtor:	Case Number:	Date Filed:	
NONE			
District:	Relationship:	Judge:	
Exhibit A (To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under Chapter 11) <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition	Exhibit B (To be completed if debtor is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts) I, the attorney for the petitioner named in the foregoing petition, declare that I have informed the petitioner that [he or she] may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12 or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each such chapter. I further certify that I have delivered to the debtor the notice required by 11 U.S.C. §342(b). <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> X <u>/s/ ERIC R. ORTNER</u> Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) </div> <div> 8/5/2009 Date </div> </div>		
Exhibit C Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable harm to public health or safety? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
Exhibit D (To be completed by every individual debtor. If a joint petition is filed, each spouse must complete and attach a separate Exhibit D.) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D completed and signed by the debtor is attached and made part of this petition. If this is a joint petition: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D also completed and signed by the joint debtor is attached and made a part of this petition.			
Information Regarding the Debtor - Venue (Check any applicable box)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of business, or principal assets in this District for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other District.			
<input type="checkbox"/> There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership pending in this District.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor is a debtor in a foreign proceeding and has its principal place of business or principal assets in the United States in this District, or has no principal place of business or assets in the United States but is a defendant in an action proceeding [in a federal or state court] in this District, or the interests of the parties will be served in regard to the relief sought in this District.			
Certification by a Debtor Who Resides as a Tenant of Residential Property (Check all applicable boxes.)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Landlord has a judgment against the debtor for possession of debtor's residence. (If box checked, complete the following.)			
_____ (Name of landlord that obtained judgment)			
_____ (Address of landlord)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor claims that under applicable nonbankruptcy law, there are circumstances under which the debtor would be permitted to cure the entire monetary default that gave rise to the judgment for possession, after the judgment for possession was entered, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor has included with this petition the deposit with the court of any rent that would become due during the 30-day period after the filing of the petition.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Debtor certifies that he/she has served the Landlord with this certification. (11 U.S.C. § 362(l)).			

Voluntary Petition*(This page must be completed and filed in every case)*

Name of Debtor(s):

PATRICK STEVEN DOW and**NICOL MARIE DOW****Signatures****Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)**

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct.

[If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7.

[If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. §342(b)

I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

X /s/ PATRICK STEVEN DOW

Signature of Debtor

X /s/ NICOL MARIE DOW

Signature of Joint Debtor

Telephone Number (if not represented by attorney)

8/5/2009

Date

Signature of a Foreign Representative

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, that I am the foreign representative of a debtor in a foreign proceeding, and that I am authorized to file this petition.

(Check only one box.)

☐ I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11, United States Code. Certified copies of the documents required by 11 U.S.C. § 1515 are attached.

☐ Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1511, I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the order granting recognition of the foreign main proceeding is attached.

X

(Signature of Foreign Representative)

(Printed name of Foreign Representative)

8/5/2009

(Date)

Signature of Attorney***X /s/ ERIC R. ORTNER**

Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)

ERIC R. ORTNER 098183

Printed Name of Attorney for Debtor(s)

ERIC R. ORTNER

Firm Name

2053 Forest Avenue, Suite 7

Address

Chico CA 95928**530-891-6128**

Telephone Number

8/5/2009

Date

*In a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, this signature also constitutes a certification that the attorney has no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules is incorrect.

Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

The debtor requests the relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

X

Signature of Authorized Individual

Printed Name of Authorized Individual

Title of Authorized Individual

8/5/2009

Date

Signature of Non-Attorney Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

I declare under penalty of perjury that: (1) I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; (2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h), and 342(b); and, (3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section. Official Form 19 is attached.

Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer

Social-Security number (If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social-Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the bankruptcy petition preparer.) (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)

Address

X

Date

Signature of bankruptcy petition preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose Social-Security number is provided above.

Names and Social-Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual.

If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.

A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both. 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.C. § 156.

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO DIVISION**

In re *PATRICK STEVEN DOW*
and
NICOL MARIE DOW

Case No.
Chapter 7

Debtor(s)

**EXHIBIT D - INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR'S STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH
CREDIT COUNSELING REQUIREMENT**

WARNING: You must be able to check truthfully one of the five statements regarding credit counseling listed below. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file a bankruptcy case, and the court can dismiss any case you do file. If that happens, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors will be able to resume collection activities against you. If your case is dismissed and you file another bankruptcy case later, you may be required to pay a second filing fee and you may have to take extra steps to stop creditors' collection activities.

Every individual debtor must file this Exhibit D. If a joint petition is filed, each spouse must complete and file a separate Exhibit D. Check one of the five statements below and attach any documents as directed.

☒ 1. Within the 180 days **before the filing of my bankruptcy case**, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, and I have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. *Attach a copy of the certificate and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency.*

☐ 2. Within the 180 days **before the filing of my bankruptcy case**, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, but I do not have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. *You must file a copy of a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to you and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency no later than 15 days after your bankruptcy case is filed.*

☐ 3. I certify that I requested credit counseling services from an approved agency but was unable to obtain the services during the five days from the time I made my request, and the following exigent circumstances merit a temporary waiver of the credit counseling requirement so I can file my bankruptcy case now.
[Summarize exigent circumstances here.]

If your certification is satisfactory to the court, you must still obtain the credit counseling briefing within the first 30 days after you file your bankruptcy petition and promptly file a certificate from the agency that provided the counseling, together with a copy of any debt management plan developed through the agency. Failure to fulfill these requirements may result in dismissal of your case. Any extension of the 30-day deadline can be granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days. Your case may also be dismissed if the court is not satisfied with your reasons for filing your bankruptcy case without first receiving a credit counseling briefing.

- ☐ 4. I am not required to receive a credit counseling briefing because of: *[Check the applicable statement]*
[Must be accompanied by a motion for determination by the court.]
- ☐ Incapacity. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109 (h)(4) as impaired by reason of mental illness or mental deficiency so as to be incapable of realizing and making rational decisions with respect to financial responsibilities.);
 - ☐ Disability. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109 (h)(4) as physically impaired to the extent of being unable, after reasonable effort, to participate in a credit counseling briefing in person, by telephone, or through the Internet.);
 - ☐ Active military duty in a military combat zone.

☐ 5. The United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator has determined that the credit counseling requirement of 11 U.S.C. § 109(h) does not apply in this district.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct.

Signature of Debtor: /s/ PATRICK STEVEN DOW

Date: 8/5/2009

Certificate Number: 02910-CAE-CC-007920134

CERTIFICATE OF COUNSELING

I CERTIFY that on August 5, 2009, at 3:35 o'clock PM EDT,

Patrick Dow received from

InCharge Education Foundation, Inc.,

an agency approved pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 111 to provide credit counseling in the

Eastern District of California, an individual [or group] briefing that complied

with the provisions of 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h) and 111.

A debt repayment plan was not prepared. If a debt repayment plan was prepared, a copy of the debt repayment plan is attached to this certificate.

This counseling session was conducted by internet and telephone.

Date: August 5, 2009

By /s/Deborah Williams

Name Deborah Williams

Title Certified Bankruptcy Counselor

* Individuals who wish to file a bankruptcy case under title 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code are required to file with the United States Bankruptcy Court a completed certificate of counseling from the nonprofit budget and credit counseling agency that provided the individual the counseling services and a copy of the debt repayment plan, if any, developed through the credit counseling agency. See 11 U.S.C. §§ 109(h) and 521(b).

In re PATRICK STEVEN DOW and NICOL MARIE DOW

Debtor(s)

Case Number: _____

(If known)

According to the information required to be entered on this statement
(check one box as directed in Part I, III, or VI of this statement):☐ The presumption arises.☒ The presumption does not arise.☐ The presumption is temporarily inapplicable.

(Check the box as directed in Parts I, III, and VI of this statement.)

**CHAPTER 7 STATEMENT OF CURRENT MONTHLY INCOME
AND MEANS-TEST CALCULATION**

In addition to Schedules I and J, this statement must be completed by every individual chapter 7 debtor, whether or not filing jointly. Unless the exclusion in Line 1C applies, joint debtors may complete a single statement. If the exclusion in Line 1C applies, each joint filer must complete a separate statement.

Part I. MILITARY AND NON-CONSUMER DEBTORS

1A

Disabled Veterans. If you are a disabled veteran described in the Declaration in this Part IA, (1) check the box at the beginning of the Declaration, (2) check the box for "The presumption does not arise" at the top of this statement, and (3) complete the verification in Part VIII. Do not complete any of the remaining parts of this statement.

☐ **Declaration of Disabled Veteran.** By checking this box, I declare under penalty of perjury that I am a disabled veteran (as defined in 38 U.S.C. § 3741(1)) whose indebtedness occurred primarily during a period in which I was on active duty (as defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101(d)(1)) or while I was performing a homeland defense activity (as defined in 32 U.S.C. § 901(1)).

1B

Non-consumer Debtors. If your debts are not primarily consumer debts, check the box below and complete the verification in Part VIII. Do not complete any of the remaining parts of this statement.

☐ **Declaration of non-consumer debts.** By checking this box, I declare that my debts are not primarily consumer debts.

1C

Reservists and National Guard Members; active duty or homeland defense activity. Members of a reserve component of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who were called to active duty (as defined in 10 U.S.C. § 101(d)(1)) after September 11, 2001, for a period of at least 90 days, or who have performed homeland defense activity (as defined in 32 U.S.C. § 901(1)) for a period of at least 90 days, are excluded from all forms of means testing during the time of active duty or homeland defense activity and for 540 days thereafter (the "exclusion period"). If you qualify for this temporary exclusion, (1) check the appropriate boxes and complete any required information in the Declaration of Reservists and National Guard Members below, (2) check the box for "The presumption is temporarily inapplicable" at the top of this statement, and (3) complete the verification in Part VIII.

During your exclusion period you are not required to complete the balance of this form, but you must complete the form no later than 14 days after the date on which your exclusion period ends, unless the time for filing a motion raising the means test presumption expires in your case before your exclusion period ends.

☐ **Declaration of Reservists and National Guard Members.** By checking this box and making the appropriate entries below, I declare that I am eligible for a temporary exclusion from means testing because, as a member of a reserve component of the Armed Forces or the National Guard

a. ☐ I was called to active duty after September 11, 2001, for a period of at least 90 days and

☐ I remain on active duty /or/

☐ I was released from active duty on _____, which is less than 540 days before this bankruptcy case was filed;

OR

b. ☐ I am performing homeland defense activity for a period of at least 90 days /or/

☐ I performed homeland defense activity for a period of at least 90 days, terminating on _____, which is less than 540 days before this bankruptcy case was filed.

Part II. CALCULATION OF MONTHLY INCOME FOR § 707(b)(7) EXCLUSION

2	Marital/filing status. Check the box that applies and complete the balance of this part of this statement as directed. a. <input type="checkbox"/> Unmarried. Complete only Column A ("Debtor's Income") for Lines 3-11. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Married, not filing jointly, with declaration of separate households. By checking this box, debtor declares under penalty of perjury: "My spouse and I are legally separated under applicable non-bankruptcy law or my spouse and I are living apart other than for the purpose of evading the requirements of § 707(b)(2)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code." Complete only Column A ("Debtor's Income") for Lines 3-11. c. <input type="checkbox"/> Married, not filing jointly, without the declaration of separate households set out in Line 2.b above. Complete both Column A ("Debtor's Income") and Column B ("Spouse's Income") for Lines 3-11. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Married, filing jointly. Complete both Column A ("Debtor's Income") and Column B ("Spouse's Income") for Lines 3-11.			Column A Debtor's Income	Column B Spouse's Income									
All figures must reflect average monthly income received from all sources, derived during the six calendar months prior to filing the bankruptcy case, ending on the last day of the month before the filing. If the amount of monthly income varied during the six months, you must divide the six month total by six, and enter the result on the appropriate line.														
3	Gross wages, salary, tips, bonuses, overtime, commissions.			\$2,227.25	\$1,590.82									
4	Income from the operation of a business, profession, or farm. Subtract Line b from Line a and enter the difference in the appropriate column(s) of Line 4. If you operate more than one business, profession or farm, enter aggregate numbers and provide details on an attachment. Do not enter a number less than zero. Do not include any part of the business expenses entered on Line b as a deduction in Part V. <table border="1" data-bbox="196 768 1266 884"> <tr> <td>a.</td> <td>Gross receipts</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b.</td> <td>Ordinary and necessary business expenses</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c.</td> <td>Business income</td> <td>Subtract Line b from Line a</td> </tr> </table>			a.	Gross receipts	\$0.00	b.	Ordinary and necessary business expenses	\$0.00	c.	Business income	Subtract Line b from Line a	\$0.00	\$0.00
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5	Rent and other real property income. Subtract Line b from Line a and enter the difference in the appropriate column(s) of Line 5. Do not enter a number less than zero. Do not include any part of the operating expenses entered on Line b as a deduction in Part V. <table border="1" data-bbox="196 989 1266 1104"> <tr> <td>a.</td> <td>Gross receipts</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b.</td> <td>Ordinary and necessary operating expenses</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c.</td> <td>Rent and other real property income</td> <td>Subtract Line b from Line a</td> </tr> </table>			a.	Gross receipts	\$0.00	b.	Ordinary and necessary operating expenses	\$0.00	c.	Rent and other real property income	Subtract Line b from Line a	\$0.00	\$0.00
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6	Interest, dividends, and royalties.			\$0.00	\$0.00									
7	Pension and retirement income.			\$0.00	\$0.00									
8	Any amounts paid by another person or entity, on a regular basis, for the household expenses of the debtor or the debtor's dependents, including child support paid for that purpose. Do not include alimony or separate maintenance payments or amounts paid by your spouse if Column B is completed.			\$0.00	\$0.00									
9	Unemployment compensation. Enter the amount in the appropriate column(s) of Line 9. However, if you contend that unemployment compensation received by you or your spouse was a benefit under the Social Security Act, do not list the amount of such compensation in Column A or B, but instead state the amount in the space below: <table border="1" data-bbox="196 1482 1266 1556"> <tr> <td>Unemployment compensation claimed to be a benefit under the Social Security Act</td> <td>Debtor <u>\$0.00</u></td> <td>Spouse <u>\$0.00</u></td> </tr> </table>			Unemployment compensation claimed to be a benefit under the Social Security Act	Debtor <u>\$0.00</u>	Spouse <u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00	\$0.00						
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10	Income from all other sources. Specify source and amount. If necessary, list additional sources on a separate page. Do not include alimony or separate maintenance payments paid by your spouse if Column B is completed, but include all other payments of alimony or separate maintenance. Do not include any benefits received under the Social Security Act or payments received as a victim of a war crime, crime against humanity, or as a victim of international or domestic terrorism. <table border="1" data-bbox="196 1724 1219 1797"> <tr> <td>a.</td> <td></td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b.</td> <td></td> <td>0</td> </tr> </table> Total and enter on Line 10			a.		0	b.		0	\$0.00	\$0.00			
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b.		0												
11	Subtotal of Current Monthly Income for § 707(b)(7). Add Lines 3 thru 10 in Column A, and, if Column B is completed, add Lines 3 through 10 in Column B. Enter the total(s).			\$2,227.25	\$1,590.82									
12	Total Current Monthly Income for § 707(b)(7). If Column B has been completed, add Line 11, Column A to Line 11, Column B, and enter the total. If Column B has not been completed, enter the amount from Line 11, Column A.			\$3,818.07										

Part III. APPLICATION OF § 707(b)(7) EXCLUSION

13	Annualized Current Monthly Income for § 707(b)(7). Multiply the amount from Line 12 by the number 12 and enter the result.	\$45,816.84
14	Applicable median family income. Enter the median family income for the applicable state and household size. (This information is available by family size at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.) a. Enter debtor's state of residence: <u>CALIFORNIA</u> b. Enter debtor's household size: <u>4</u>	\$79,971.00
15	Application of Section 707(b)(7). Check the applicable box and proceed as directed. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The amount on Line 13 is less than or equal to the amount on Line 14. Check the box for "The presumption does not arise" at the top of page 1 of this statement, and complete Part VIII; do not complete Parts IV, V, VI, or VII. <input type="checkbox"/> The amount on Line 13 is more than the amount on Line 14. Complete the remaining parts of this statement.	

Complete Parts IV, V, VI, and VII of this statement only if required. (See Line 15).

Part IV. CALCULATION OF CURRENT MONTHLY INCOME FOR § 707(b)(2)

16	Enter the amount from Line 12.	\$									
17	Marital adjustment. If you checked the box at Line 2.c, enter on Line 17 the total of any income listed in Line 11, Column B that was NOT paid on a regular basis for the household expenses of the debtor or the debtor's dependents. Specify in the lines below the basis for excluding the Column B income (such as payment of the spouse's tax liability or the spouse's support of persons other than the debtor or the debtor's dependents) and the amount of income devoted to each purpose. If necessary, list additional adjustments on a separate page. If you did not check box at Line 2.c, enter zero.										
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b.		\$									
c.		\$									
	Total and enter on Line 17	\$									
18	Current monthly income for § 707(b)(2). Subtract Line 17 from Line 16 and enter the result.	\$									

Part V. CALCULATION OF DEDUCTIONS FROM INCOME**Subpart A: Deductions under Standards of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS)**

19A	National Standards: food, clothing, and other items. Enter in Line 19A the "Total" amount from IRS National Standards for Food, Clothing and Other Items for the applicable household size. (This information is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.)		\$																
19B	National Standards: health care. Enter in Line a1 below the amount from IRS National Standards for Out-of-Pocket Health Care for persons under 65 years of age, and in Line a2 the IRS National Standards for Out-of-Pocket Health Care for persons 65 years of age or older. (This information is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.) Enter in Line b1 the number of members of your household who are under 65 years of age, and enter in Line b2 the number of members of your household who are 65 years of age or older. (The total number of household members must be the same as the number stated in Line 14b.) Multiply Line a1 by Line b1 to obtain a total amount for household members under 65, and enter the result in Line c1. Multiply Line a2 by Line b2 to obtain a total amount for household members 65 and older, and enter the result in Line c2. Add Lines c1 and c2 to obtain a total health care amount, and enter the result in Line 19B.																		
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a1.	Allowance per member	a2.	Allowance per member																
b1.	Number of members	b2.	Number of members																
c1.	Subtotal	c2.	Subtotal																
20A	Local Standards: housing and utilities; non-mortgage expenses. Enter the amount of the IRS Housing and Utilities Standards; non-mortgage expenses for the applicable county and household size. (This information is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court).		\$																

20B	Local Standards: housing and utilities; mortgage/rent expenses. Enter, in Line a below, the amount of the IRS Housing and Utilities Standards; mortgage/rent expense for your county and household size (this information is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court); enter on Line b the total of the Average Monthly Payments for any debts secured by your home, as stated in Line 42; subtract Line b from Line a and enter the result in Line 20B. Do not enter an amount less than zero.		
	a.	IRS Housing and Utilities Standards; mortgage/rental expense	\$
	b.	Average Monthly Payment for any debts secured by your home, if any, as stated in Line 42	\$
	c.	Net mortgage/rental expense	Subtract Line b from Line a.
			\$
21	Local Standards: housing and utilities; adjustment. If you contend that the process set out in Lines 20A and 20B does not accurately compute the allowance to which you are entitled under the IRS Housing and Utilities Standards, enter any additional amount to which you contend you are entitled, and state the basis for your contention in the space below:		\$
22A	Local Standards: transportation; vehicle operation/public transportation expense. You are entitled to an expense allowance in this category regardless of whether you pay the expenses of operating a vehicle and regardless of whether you use public transportation. Check the number of vehicles for which you pay the operating expenses or for which the operating expenses are included as a contribution to your household expenses in Line 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 or more. If you checked 0, enter on Line 22A the "Public Transportation" amount from IRS Local Standards: Transportation. If you checked 1 or 2 or more, enter on Line 22A the "Operating Costs" amount from IRS Local Standards: Transportation for the applicable number of vehicles in the applicable Metropolitan Statistical Area or Census Region. (These amounts are available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.)		\$
22B	Local Standards: transportation; additional public transportation expense. If you pay the operating expenses for a vehicle and also use public transportation, and you contend that you are entitled to an additional deduction for your public transportation expenses, enter on Line 22B the "Public Transportation" amount from IRS Local Standards: Transportation. (This amount is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.)		\$
23	Local Standards: transportation ownership/lease expense; Vehicle 1. Check the number of vehicles for which you claim an ownership/lease expense. (You may not claim an ownership/lease expense for more than two vehicles.) <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 or more. Enter, in Line a below, the "Ownership Costs" for "One Car" from the IRS Local Standards: Transportation (available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court); enter in Line b the total of the Average Monthly Payments for any debts secured by Vehicle 1, as stated in Line 42; subtract Line b from Line a and enter the result in Line 23. Do not enter an amount less than zero.		\$
	a.	IRS Transportation Standards, Ownership Costs	\$
	b.	Average Monthly Payment for any debts secured by Vehicle 1, as stated in Line 42	\$
	c.	Net ownership/lease expense for Vehicle 1	Subtract Line b from Line a.
			\$
24	Local Standards: transportation ownership/lease expense; Vehicle 2. Complete this Line only if you checked the "2 or more" Box in Line 23. Enter, in Line a below, the "Ownership Costs" for "One Car" from the IRS Local Standards: Transportation (available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court); enter in Line b the total of the Average Monthly Payments for any debts secured by Vehicle 2, as stated in Line 42; subtract Line b from Line a and enter the result in Line 24. Do not enter an amount less than zero.		\$
	a.	IRS Transportation Standards, Ownership Costs	\$
	b.	Average Monthly Payment for any debts secured by Vehicle 2, as stated in Line 42	\$
	c.	Net ownership/lease expense for Vehicle 2	Subtract Line b from Line a.
			\$

25	Other Necessary Expenses: taxes. Enter the total average monthly expense that you actually incur for all federal, state and local taxes, other than real estate and sales taxes, such as income taxes, self employment taxes, social-security taxes, and Medicare taxes. Do not include real estate or sales taxes.	
26	Other Necessary Expenses: mandatory payroll deductions for employment. Enter the total average monthly payroll deductions that are required for your employment, such as retirement contributions, union dues, and uniform costs. Do not include discretionary amounts, such as voluntary 401(k) contributions.	\$
27	Other Necessary Expenses: life insurance. Enter total average monthly premiums that you actually pay for term life insurance for yourself. Do not include premiums for insurance on your dependents, for whole life or for any other form of insurance.	\$
28	Other Necessary Expenses: court-ordered payments. Enter the total monthly amount that you are required to pay pursuant to the order of a court or administrative agency, such as spousal or child support payments. Do not include payments on past due support obligations included in Line 44.	\$
29	Other Necessary Expenses: education for employment or for a physically or mentally challenged child. Enter the total average monthly amount that you actually expend for education that is a condition of employment and for education that is required for a physically or mentally challenged dependent child for whom no public education providing similar services is available.	\$
30	Other Necessary Expenses: childcare. Enter the total average monthly amount that you actually expend on childcare - such as baby-sitting, day care, nursery and preschool. Do not include other educational payments.	\$
31	Other Necessary Expenses: health care. Enter the total average monthly amount that you actually expend on health care that is required for the health and welfare of yourself or your dependents, that is not reimbursed by insurance or paid by a health savings account, and that is in excess of the amount entered in Line 19B. Do not include payments for health insurance or health savings accounts listed in Line 34.	\$
32	Other Necessary Expenses: telecommunication services. Enter the total average monthly amount that you actually pay for telecommunication services other than your basic home telephone and cell phone service -- such as pagers, call waiting, caller id, special long distance, or internet service -- to the extent necessary for your health and welfare or that of your dependents. Do not include any amount previously deducted.	\$
33	Total Expenses Allowed under IRS Standards. Enter the total of Lines 19 through 32	\$

Subpart B: Additional Living Expense Deductions

Note: Do not include any expenses that you have listed in Lines 19-32

34	<p>Health Insurance, Disability Insurance and Health Savings Account Expenses. List the monthly expenses in the categories set out in lines a-c below that are reasonably necessary for yourself, your spouse, or your dependents.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>a.</td> <td>Health Insurance</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>b.</td> <td>Disability Insurance</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> <tr> <td>c.</td> <td>Health Savings Account</td> <td>\$</td> </tr> </table> <p>Total and enter on Line 34</p> <p>If you do not actually expend this total amount, state your actual total average monthly expenditures in the space below:</p> <p>\$ _____</p>	a.	Health Insurance	\$	b.	Disability Insurance	\$	c.	Health Savings Account	\$	<p>\$</p>
a.	Health Insurance	\$									
b.	Disability Insurance	\$									
c.	Health Savings Account	\$									
35	Continued contributions to the care of household or family members. Enter the total average actual monthly expenses that you will continue to pay for the reasonable and necessary care and support of an elderly, chronically ill, or disabled member of your household or member of your immediate family who is unable to pay for such expenses.	\$									
36	Protection against family violence. Enter the total average reasonably necessary monthly expenses that you actually incurred to maintain the safety of your family under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act or other applicable federal law. The nature of these expenses is required to be kept confidential by the court.	\$									
37	Home energy costs. Enter the total average monthly amount, in excess of the allowance specified by IRS Local Standards for Housing and Utilities, that you actually expend for home energy costs. You must provide your case trustee with documentation of your actual expenses, and you must demonstrate that reasonable and necessary and not already accounted for in the IRS Standards.	\$									

38	Education expenses for dependent children less than 18. Enter the total average monthly expenses that you actually incur, not to exceed \$137.50 per child, for attendance at a private or public elementary or secondary school by your dependent children less than 18 years of age. You must provide your case trustee with documentation of your actual expenses, and you must explain why the amount claimed is reasonable and necessary and not already accounted for in the IRS Standards.	\$
39	Additional food and clothing expense. Enter the total average monthly amount by which your food and clothing expenses exceed the combined allowances for food and clothing (apparel and services) in the IRS National Standards, not to exceed 5% of those combined allowances. (This information is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.) You must demonstrate that the additional amount claimed is reasonable and necessary.	\$
40	Continued charitable contributions. Enter the amount that you will continue to contribute in the form of cash or financial instruments to a charitable organization as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 170(c)(1)-(2).	\$
41	Total Additional Expense Deductions under § 707(b). Enter the total of Lines 34 through 40	\$

Subpart C: Deductions for Debt Payment

42	Future payments on secured claims. For each of your debts that is secured by an interest in property that you own, list the name of the creditor, identify the property securing the debt, state the Average Monthly Payment, and check whether the payment includes taxes or insurance. The Average Monthly Payment is the total of all amounts scheduled as contractually due to each Secured Creditor in the 60 months following the filing of the bankruptcy case, divided by 60. If necessary, list additional entries on a separate page. Enter the total of the Average Monthly Payments on Line 42.				\$
	Name of Creditor	Property Securing the Debt	Average Monthly Payment	Does payment include taxes or insurance?	
a.			\$	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
b.			\$	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
c.			\$	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
d.			\$	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
e.			\$	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no	
				Total: Add Lines a - e	
43	Other payments on secured claims. If any of the debts listed in Line 42 are secured by your primary residence, a motor vehicle, or other property necessary for your support or the support of your dependents, you may include in your deduction 1/60th of any amount (the "cure amount") that you must pay the creditor in addition to the payments listed in Line 42, in order to maintain possession of the property. The cure amount would include any sums in default that must be paid in order to avoid repossession or foreclosure. List and total any such amounts in the following chart. If necessary, list additional entries on a separate page.				\$
	Name of Creditor	Property Securing the Debt	1/60th of the Cure Amount		
a.			\$		
b.			\$		
c.			\$		
d.			\$		
e.			\$		
				Total: Add Lines a - e	
44	Payments on prepetition priority claims. Enter the total amount, divided by 60, of all priority claims, such as priority tax, child support and alimony claims, for which you were liable at the time of your bankruptcy filing. Do not include current obligations, such as those set out in Line 28.				\$

45	Chapter 13 administrative expenses. If you are eligible to file a case under Chapter 13, complete the following chart, multiply the amount in line a by the amount in line b, and enter the resulting administrative expense.		
	a.	Projected average monthly Chapter 13 plan payment.	\$
	b.	Current multiplier for your district as determined under schedules issued by the Executive Office for United States Trustees. (This information is available at www.usdoj.gov/ust/ or from the clerk of the bankruptcy court.)	x
	c.	Average monthly administrative expense of Chapter 13 case	Total: Multiply Lines a and b
			\$
46	Total Deductions for Debt Payment. Enter the total of Lines 42 through 45.		\$

Subpart D: Total Deductions from Income

47	Total of all deductions allowed under § 707(b)(2). Enter the total of Lines 33, 41, and 46.	\$
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Part VI. DETERMINATION OF § 707(b)(2) PRESUMPTION

48	Enter the amount from Line 18 (Current monthly income for § 707(b)(2))	\$
49	Enter the amount from Line 47 (Total of all deductions allowed under § 707(b)(2))	\$
50	Monthly disposable income under § 707(b)(2). Subtract Line 49 from Line 48 and enter the result	\$
51	60-month disposable income under § 707(b)(2). Multiply the amount in Line 50 by the number 60 and enter the result.	\$
52	Initial presumption determination. Check the applicable box and proceed as directed. <input type="checkbox"/> The amount on Line 51 is less than \$6,575 Check the box for "The presumption does not arise" at the top of page 1 of this statement, and complete the verification in Part VIII. Do not complete the remainder of Part VI. <input type="checkbox"/> The amount set forth on Line 51 is more than \$10,950. Check the box for "The presumption arises" at the top of page 1 of this statement, and complete the verification in Part VIII. You may also complete Part VII. Do not complete the remainder of Part VI. <input type="checkbox"/> The amount on Line 51 is at least \$6,575, but not more than \$10,950. Complete the remainder of Part VI (Lines 53 through 55).	
53	Enter the amount of your total non-priority unsecured debt	\$
54	Threshold debt payment amount. Multiply the amount in Line 53 by the number 0.25 and enter the result.	\$
55	Secondary presumption determination. Check the applicable box and proceed as directed. <input type="checkbox"/> The amount on Line 51 is less than the amount on Line 54. Check the box for "The presumption does not arise" at the top of page 1 of this statement, and complete the verification in Part VIII. <input type="checkbox"/> The amount on Line 51 is equal to or greater than the amount on Line 54. Check the box for "The presumption arises" at the top of page 1 of this statement, and complete the verification in Part VIII. You may also complete Part VII.	

PART VII. ADDITIONAL EXPENSE CLAIMS

56	Other Expenses. List and describe any monthly expenses, not otherwise stated in this form, that are required for the health and welfare of you and your family and that you contend should be an additional deduction from your current monthly income under § 707(b)(2)(A)(ii)(I). If necessary, list additional sources on a separate page. All figures should reflect your average monthly expense for each item. Total the expenses.	
		Expense Description
	a.	Monthly Amount
	b.	\$
	c.	\$
		Total: Add Lines a, b, and c

Part VIII: VERIFICATION

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this statement is true and correct. *(If this a joint case, both debtors must sign.)*

Date: 8/5/2009 Signature: /s/ PATRICK STEVEN DOW
(Debtor)

Date: 8/5/2009 Signature: /s/ NICOL MARIE DOW
(Joint Debtor, if any)

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO DIVISION**

In re *PATRICK STEVEN DOW*
and
NICOL MARIE DOW
aka Nicol Marie Clarenbach

Case No.
Chapter 7

_____/ Debtor
Attorney for Debtor: *ERIC R. ORTNER*

STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 2016(B)

The undersigned, pursuant to Rule 2016(b), Bankruptcy Rules, states that:

1. The undersigned is the attorney for the debtor(s) in this case.
2. The compensation paid or agreed to be paid by the debtor(s), to the undersigned is:
 - a) For legal services rendered or to be rendered in contemplation of and in connection with this case \$ 2,500.00
 - b) Prior to the filing of this statement, debtor(s) have paid \$ 0.00
 - c) The unpaid balance due and payable is \$ 2,500.00
3. \$ 299.00 of the filing fee in this case has been paid.
4. The Services rendered or to be rendered include the following:
 - a) Analysis of the financial situation, and rendering advice and assistance to the debtor(s) in determining whether to file a petition under title 11 of the United States Code.
 - b) Preparation and filing of the petition, schedules, statement of financial affairs and other documents required by the court.
 - c) Representation of the debtor(s) at the meeting of creditors.
5. The source of payments made by the debtor(s) to the undersigned was from earnings, wages and compensation for services performed, and
None other
6. The source of payments to be made by the debtor(s) to the undersigned for the unpaid balance remaining, if any, will be from earnings, wages and compensation for services performed, and
None other
7. The undersigned has received no transfer, assignment or pledge of property from debtor(s) except the following for the value stated:
None
8. The undersigned has not shared or agreed to share with any other entity, other than with members of undersigned's law firm, any compensation paid or to be paid except as follows:
None

Dated: 8/5/2009

Respectfully submitted,

X /s/ *ERIC R. ORTNER*

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

**NOTICE TO CONSUMER DEBTOR(S) UNDER §342(b)
OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE**

In accordance with § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, this notice to individuals with primarily consumer debts: (1) Describes briefly the services available from credit counseling services; (2) Describes briefly the purposes, benefits and costs of the four types of bankruptcy proceedings you may commence; and (3) Informs you about bankruptcy crimes and notifies you that the Attorney General may examine all information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case.

You are cautioned that bankruptcy law is complicated and not easily described. Thus, you may wish to seek the advice of an attorney to learn of your rights and responsibilities should you decide to file a petition. Court employees cannot give you legal advice.

Notices from the bankruptcy court are sent to the mailing address you list on your bankruptcy petition. In order to ensure that you receive information about events concerning your case, Bankruptcy Rule 4002 requires that you notify the court of any changes in your address. If you are filing a **joint case** (a single bankruptcy case for two individuals married to each other), and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, you and your spouse will generally receive a single copy of each notice mailed from the bankruptcy court in a jointly-addressed envelope, unless you file a statement with the court requesting that each spouse receive a separate copy of all notices.

1. Services Available from Credit Counseling Agencies

With limited exceptions, § 109(h) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that all individual debtors who file for bankruptcy relief on or after October 17, 2005, receive a briefing that outlines the available opportunities for credit counseling and provides assistance in performing a budget analysis. The briefing must be given within 180 days **before** the bankruptcy filing. The briefing may be provided individually or in a group (including briefings conducted by telephone or on the Internet) and must be provided by a nonprofit budget and credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator. The clerk of the bankruptcy court has a list that you may consult of the approved budget and credit counseling agencies. Each debtor in a joint case must complete the briefing.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, an individual debtor generally must complete a financial management instructional course before he or she can receive a discharge. The clerk also has a list of approved financial management instructional courses. Each debtor in a joint case must complete the course.

2. The Four Chapters of the Bankruptcy Code Available to Individual Consumer Debtors

Chapter 7: Liquidation (\$245 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee, \$15 trustee surcharge: Total fee \$299)

1. Chapter 7 is designed for debtors in financial difficulty who do not have the ability to pay their existing debts. Debtors whose debts are primarily consumer debts are subject to a “means test” designed to determine whether the case should be permitted to proceed under chapter 7. If your income is greater than the median income for your state of residence and family size, in some cases, creditors have the right to file a motion requesting that the court dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Code. It is up to the court to decide whether the case should be dismissed.

2. Under chapter 7, you may claim certain of your property as exempt under governing law. A trustee may have the right to take possession of and sell the remaining property that is not exempt and use the sale proceeds to pay your creditors.

3. The purpose of filing a chapter 7 case is to obtain a discharge of your existing debts. If, however, you are found to have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court may deny your discharge and, if it does, the purpose for which you filed the bankruptcy petition will be defeated.

4. Even if you receive a general discharge, some particular debts are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible for most taxes and student loans; debts incurred to pay nondischargeable taxes; domestic support and property settlement obligations; most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; certain debts which are not properly listed in your bankruptcy papers; and debts for death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs. Also, if a creditor can prove that a debt arose from fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, or theft, or from a willful and malicious injury, the bankruptcy court may determine that the debt is not discharged.

Chapter 13: Repayment of All or Part of the Debts of an Individual with Regular Income (\$235 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$274)

1. Chapter 13 is designed for individuals with regular income who would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments over a period of time. You are only eligible for chapter 13 if your debts do not exceed certain dollar amounts set forth in the Bankruptcy Code.

2. Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, using your future earnings. The period allowed by the court to repay your debts may be three years or five years, depending upon your income and other factors. The court must approve your plan before it can take effect.

3. After completing the payments under your plan, your debts are generally discharged except for domestic support obligations; most student loans; certain taxes; most criminal fines and restitution obligations; certain debts which are not properly listed in your bankruptcy papers; certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury; and certain long term secured obligations.

Chapter 11: Reorganization (\$1000 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$1039)

Chapter 11 is designed for the reorganization of a business but is also available to consumer debtors. Its provisions are quite complicated, and any decision by an individual to file a chapter 11 petition should be reviewed with an attorney.

Chapter 12: Family Farmer or Fisherman (\$200 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee: Total fee \$239)

Chapter 12 is designed to permit family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time from future earnings and is similar to chapter 13. The eligibility requirements are restrictive, limiting its use to those whose income arises primarily from a family-owned farm or commercial fishing operation.

3. Bankruptcy Crimes and Availability of Bankruptcy Papers to Law Enforcement Officials

A person who knowingly and fraudulently conceals assets or makes a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury, either orally or in writing, in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to a fine, imprisonment, or both. All information supplied by a debtor in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the United States Trustee, the Office of the United States Attorney, and other components and employees of the Department of Justice.

WARNING: Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information regarding your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. Your bankruptcy case may be dismissed if this information is not filed with the court within the time deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

Certificate of Attorney

I hereby certify that I delivered to the debtor this notice required by § 342(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

X /s/ ERIC R. ORTNER

8/5/2009

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Bar #: 098183

Date

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Certificate of the Debtor

I (We), the debtor(s), affirm that I (we) have received and read this notice.

PATRICK STEVEN DOW and NICOL MARIE DOW

Printed Name(s) of Debtor(s)

X /s/ PATRICK STEVEN DOW 8/5/2009

Signature of Debtor

Date

Case No. (if known) _____

X /s/ NICOL MARIE DOW 8/5/2009

Signature of Joint Debtor (if any) Date